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RE: Freight Elevators subject to Chapter 288 of the Acts of 1962.

Greetings:

I am writing this letter, on behalf of the Board of Elevator Regulations for purposes of clarifying the status of freight elevators exempted from the current regulations by Chapter 288 of the Acts of 1962. The Board hereby rescinds the April 19, 2006 letter that was issued relative to new requirements under Chapter 45 of the Acts of 2006.

The Board recognizes that the changes proposed in the letter must go through the appropriate regulatory promulgation process in order to be enforceable. To those ends, please know that the Board is in the process of preparing regulations pursuant to its mandate. Once a satisfactory working draft is complete, a public hearing will be scheduled. The Board encourages all who may be affected to attend the hearing and voice their concerns and offer suggestions.

Ultimately, the Board's primary aim must always be to ensure the safety of the public. The new regulations will undoubtedly reflect that ideal. However, the Board is aware of the potential financial implications the promulgation of these regulations may create across a wide array of businesses and industries across the Commonwealth. The Board will certainly be mindful of those concerns while promulgating the regulations. It is the Board's genuine desire to see that any necessary repairs or replacements be implemented in the least disruptive and most cost effective manner possible.

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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Chairman